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June 17, 1997

Jerry North Interstate Brick Company 9780 South 5200 West West Jordan, Utah 84088

Re: Acceptance of Amended Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, Fox Clay

Extension, S/049/030, Utah County, Utah

Dear Mr. North:

Thank you for your amended Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, received by the Division on June 13, 1997. The amended application for the Fox Clay Extension project, located in Sections 20 and 29, T7S, R1W, SLBM, is complete and no additional information is required at this time.

For your reference, I have enclosed copies of our summarized rules regarding "Operation and Reclamation Practices," and the statutory penalty for failure to reclaim a minesite (SMO-1 and SMO-2). Please give special consideration to item #10 of the "Operation and Reclamation Practices" (SMO-1). Stockpiling topsoil material prior to beginning your mining operation will help ensure successful revegetation efforts upon final reclamation of the minesite. If the area being mined is a solid rock outcrop, or if the land surface is very rocky, then soil stockpiling is probably not possible. However, even the first few inches of undeveloped material is worth saving to aid in later revegetation efforts, and future regulatory release from reclamation requirements.

Should you wish to expand your operation beyond the five acre limitation, please notify this office as soon as possible to discuss the necessary permitting requirements. Permitting a large mining operation could possibly take up to six months to a year or more for final approval.

Thank you for your cooperation. When in the area, a member of the Division staff will examine the site. Best wishes with your mining operation.

Sincerely,

Lynn Kunzler

Senior Reclamation Specialist

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